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PEPTIDES FOR THE TREATMENT AND DIAGNOSIS OF SYSTEMIC Title:

LUPUS ERYTHEMATOSUS

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find the following documents for filing with the above-identified utility patent application in the names of Bruce D. Gaynor, Betty A. Diamond, Matthew D. Scharff and Philippe Valadon, entitled PEPTIDES FOR THE TREATMENT AND DIAGNOSIS OF SYSTEMIC LUPUS ERYTHEMATOSUS, comprising the following:

- 1. Reply and Amendment under 37 CFR 1.111 in response to the Office Action of June 28, 2002 (4 pages) with attached Appendix A - Marked-Up Claims as Amended (2 pages); and
- 2. a return receipt postcard.

Please note that corrected formal drawings are being filed concurrent with the above Reply and Amendment (to Box PGPUB DRAWINGS).

Please acknowledge receipt of the enclosed papers by stamping the enclosed postcard and returning the same to us.

Respectfully submitted,

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